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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

PAUL CLIFFORD REID

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Examiner: John R. Cottingham

AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 115

To the Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of September 6, 2002, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION (SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION):

Substitute a new page 7 submitted herewith for the prior page 7 of the Substitute Specification. A marked-up copying showing the amendments is also submitted herewith.

Page 8, insert the following new paragraph between lines 21 and 22: --The term "sleeve" as used in the claims refers to a structure that is open at both ends and does not include a cap, as such.--

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